

(d) the details of the industries set up and commenced by the persons to whom land was provided by Industrial Development Corporation in the three States for setting up of industries?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL POLICY AND PROMOTION, MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR): (a) to (d) The information is being collected from the State Governments and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Annual increase in manufacturing sector

2288. SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:
SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that average rate of annual production in manufacturing sector in the country has increased continuously during the period of the years of 2000-01 to 2005-06;

(b) if so, the rate of annual production during the said period;

(c) whether it is also a fact that there is no indication of annual increase in the export from this sector; and

(d) if so, the facts in this regard and the average of annual export to the total export, during the said years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL POLICY AND PROMOTION, MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR): (a) and (b) The growth of the manufacturing sector, measured in terms of index of Industrial Production (IIP), was 5.3% in 2000-01, 2.9% in 2001-02, 6.0% in 2002-03, 7.4% in 2003-04, 9.2% in 2004-05, and 9.1% in 2005-06.

(c) and (d) Annual growth of exports of manufactured products and their share to the total exports from 2000-01 to 2005-06 are as follows:

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Year	Growth Rate (%)	Share in total exports (%)
2000-01	22.39	83.83
2001-02	(-)0.77	83.65
2002-03	20.05	83.49
2003-04	22.56	84.49
2004-05	29.74	83.78
2005-06(P)	23.37	84.05

Note: (P): Provisional

FDI in agriculture and horticulture

2289. DR. E.M. SUDARSANA NATCHIAPPAN: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether FDI is allowed in the field of agriculture and horticulture on a massive scale; and

(b) if so, whether there is any proposal to implement the recommendations of Swaminathan Committee on bio-technology, to eradicate poverty in rural area?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL POLICY AND PROMOTION, MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR): (a) As per the extant policy, Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) is not permitted in the Agriculture sector except for Floriculture, Horticulture, Development of Seeds, Animal Husbandry, Pisciculture, Aqua-culture and Cultivation of Vegetables and Mushrooms, under controlled conditions and services related to agro and allied sectors where FDI up to 100% is permitted under the automatic route.

(b) Information is being collected.

Retail cement price

2290. SHRI B.K. HARIPRASAD: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether retail cement prices have soared to a new high since January,